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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 This Appendix sets forth the terms and conditions under which SBC MISSOURI will coordinate with MCIm with respect to NXX assignments.

2. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- 2.1 Nothing in this Agreement shall be construed to limit or otherwise adversely impact in any manner either Party's right to employ or to request and be assigned any North American Numbering Plan (NANP) number resources from the numbering administrator including, but not limited to, central office (NXX) codes pursuant to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines, or to establish, by tariff or otherwise, Exchanges and Rating Points corresponding to such NXX codes. Each Party is responsible for administering the NXX codes it is assigned.
- At a minimum, in those Metropolitan Exchange Areas where MCIm is properly certified by the appropriate regulatory body and intends to provide local exchange service, MCIm shall obtain a separate NXX code for each SBC MISSOURI Rate Center or Rate District (which ever is smaller) which is required to ensure compliance with the industry-approved Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines (most current version) or other industry approved numbering guidelines and the FCC's Second Report & Order in CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997 (Local Number Portability). Where pooling is done, MCIm will obtain blocks of numbers in thousand increments rather than a full NXX for rate areas served by MCIm.
- 2.3 Pursuant to Section 7.3 of the North American Numbering Council Local Number Portability Architecture and Administrative Plan report, which was adopted by the FCC, Second Report and Order, CC Docket 95-116, released August 18, 1997, portability is limited to Rate Center/Rate District boundaries of the incumbent LEC due to rating and routing concerns.
- 2.4 Each Party is responsible to test, load, program and update its own switches and network systems to recognize and route traffic to the other Party's assigned NXX codes at all times. Neither Party shall impose fees or charges on the other Party for such required programming and updating activities.
- 2.5 Each Party is responsible to input required data into the Business Integrated Rating and Routing Database System (BIRRDS) or other appropriate system(s) necessary to update the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), unless negotiated otherwise.
- 2.6 Neither Party is responsible for notifying the other Parties' end user customers of any changes in dialing arrangements, including those due to NPA exhaust.

2.7 NXX Migration

2.7.1 NXX reassignment/migration is permissible upon agreement of the Parties. Upon request by either Party to migrate an NXX, the Parties will determine the reassignment/migration process and any applicable charges per Appendix

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Pricing. The Parties agree to follow established industry practice for code transfer and LERG reassignment.